

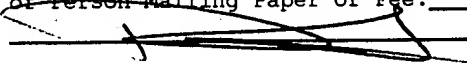


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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated 2 April 2002, Applicant submits the following amendments and remarks:

Amendment B

In the Claims:

Please rewrite claims 1, 13, and 20 as follow:

1. (Amended) A roller assembly comprising the following:

a frame member;

a plurality of front roller members;

a plurality of rear roller members corresponding in number to the plurality of front roller members; and

a plurality of walking beams pivotably connected to the frame member at respective pivot points, each of the walking beams connecting one of the front roller members with a respective one of the rear roller members such that the



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